

# MORE 'SAUCER' REPORTS HERE

Lights, 'Flying Ironing Boards' in Sky, Witnesses Declare

Several more reports of "flying saucers" flashing through the skies were made yesterday by observers who said what they saw ranged from tremendously bright lights to objects resembling "flying ironing boards."

Raymond D. Angier, 34, an engineer for Douglas Aircraft at Santa Monica, told how he and his sister-in-law, Mary Angier, saw a "saucer" at twilight Wednesday near Lockheed Air Terminal.

He said they saw an extremely bright, blue-white light flash on at 10,000 feet altitude, "brighter than a hundred landing lights of airplanes."

## WOBBLES

Then the light went out and a dark object was seen approaching, visible for a full minute, he said, with a top-like shape and the characteristic wobbly flight motion so often mentioned.

Angier believed the tremendous light disproves Air Force theories about saucers being natural phenomena, creating optical illusions.

Judy Andry, 3607 South Hope street, said she saw eerie objects like "flying ironing boards" in the city skies at 10:40 p. m. Wednesday.

Harry T. Laughran, son of Compton's Mayor, said he and his wife watched a similar "bright ball" at the same time for 10 minutes. Then it suddenly split up "into nine or 10 pieces and vanished," he said.

# Flying Saucers Jets Chase Sky Objects

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William D. Mallette, on patrol 17 miles west of Lancaster on the road to Lake Hughes, reported they saw two of the objects.

"They gave off a bright yellowish light," Morrissey said. "One dropped slowly behind the horizon and the other remained stationary for about 10 minutes. This one kept swinging like a pendulum, finally moving out of sight to the west."

The officers stopped a car and had the passengers, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Taylor of Bouquet Canyon, confirm the sight. They began their observation at 11:25 p. m.

At 12:14 a. m. two C. A. A. observers at Palmdale Airport, Don Benson and Ray Hollingsworth, said they saw a "saucer" west-northwest of the airport.

## OBJECT NEAR MOON

"It hovered over the mountains in one spot for about three minutes," said Benson. "It was bright and shining."

Jack Roof, Lancaster game warden, reported to the sheriff's office that he saw the strange sky objects.

Rev. Louis Gardner, of Highland Park, said he saw a moving object near the moon.

"It appeared very plainly and faded out of sight in a brief time," he stated.

Kenneth Gannon of El Monte described the mystery disk as "brilliant and bright like polished metal," and Mrs. J. W. Fraser of Silver Lake district said it was "a bright, orange colored thing."

Jordan M. Reifel, of Pasadena, said he, his wife and a party of friends saw a "formation of white things" zooming rapidly across the sky and heard something like a rifle shot and the "zing of a bullet" through the air.

Headquarters of the Air Force Defense Command at Colorado Springs disclosed fast interceptor planes are on the alert 24 hours a day to try and track down one of the fleeting objects.

## Explains 'Saucers'

# Admiral Cites Radar 'Ghosts'

By International News Service

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Vice Admiral Robert C. Giffen, who fought the "battle of the pips" in World War II, thinks the air force's theory of atmospheric reflections offers a likely explanation for "flying saucers."

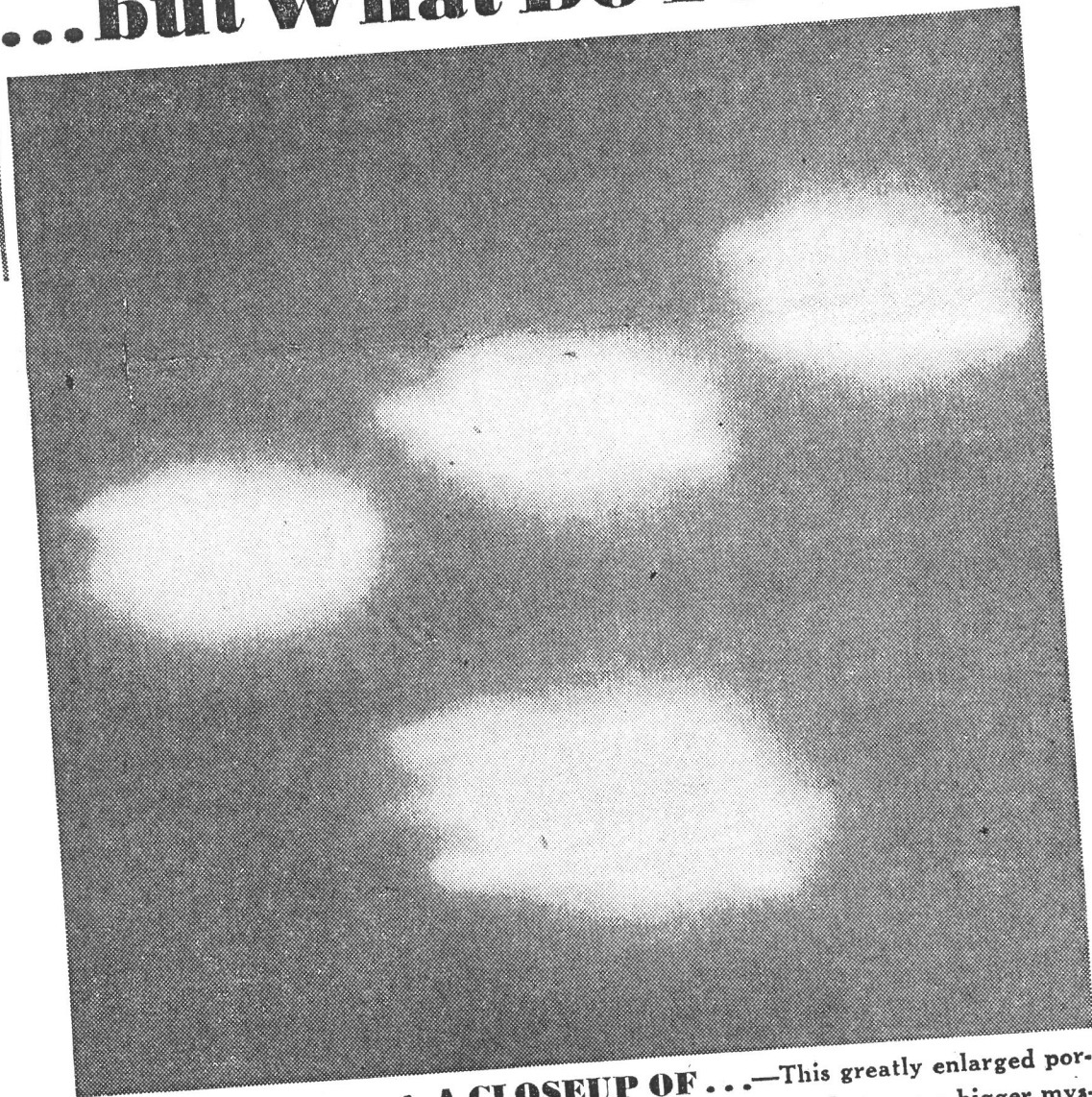
"I know they can look like anything, including ships on the water," Giffen said today of the radar phantoms his fleet encountered off Attu Island in the Aleutians on July 26, 1943.

Meanwhile, the latest appearance of the elusive "saucers"—or something that looked like them—was reported from Southern California where observers said they saw a fantastic display of lights Friday night and early today.

In the "battle of the pips" Giffen's fleet fired 518 14-inch shells and 487 eight-inch shells before it was established that the "enemy" showing on the radar screens was not there in reality.

That was a case, the admiral recalled, in which the mistake was compounded by several radar sets, since the battleships Mississippi and Idaho and the cruisers Wichita and Portland all reported getting the same positions for the supposed "enemy."

# ...but What Do You See?



**A CLOSEUP OF . . .**—This greatly enlarged portion of the Coast Guard photo only poses a bigger mystery. The negative was heavily over-exposed in an effort to bring out the detail. Result? What do YOU think?

—International News soundphoto from U. S. Coast Guard.

## 'Objects' in Sky Fail to Solve Mystery

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(INS)—The Coast Guard today made public a photograph supposedly showing "unidentified objects" in the sky, but the picture failed to shed any light on "flying saucers."

The Coast Guard itself withheld any comment on the picture. The 21-year-old Coast Guardsman who snapped it, said he could be certain only that it showed "some form of life."

### EGG-SHAPED—

The photographer, S. R. Alpert, took the picture through a laboratory window at the Coast Guard Air Station, Salem, Mass., at 9:35 a. m., July 16.

The picture shows four roughly egg-shaped "objects" that could be clouds, lights or perhaps "saucers" in a rough "V" formation.

While lacking the uniformity

of man-made objects, the outlines are clear.

Alpert said in his report to headquarters that the lights were much more brilliant a few seconds before he snapped the shutter, and that they disappeared in a "quick flash" soon afterward.

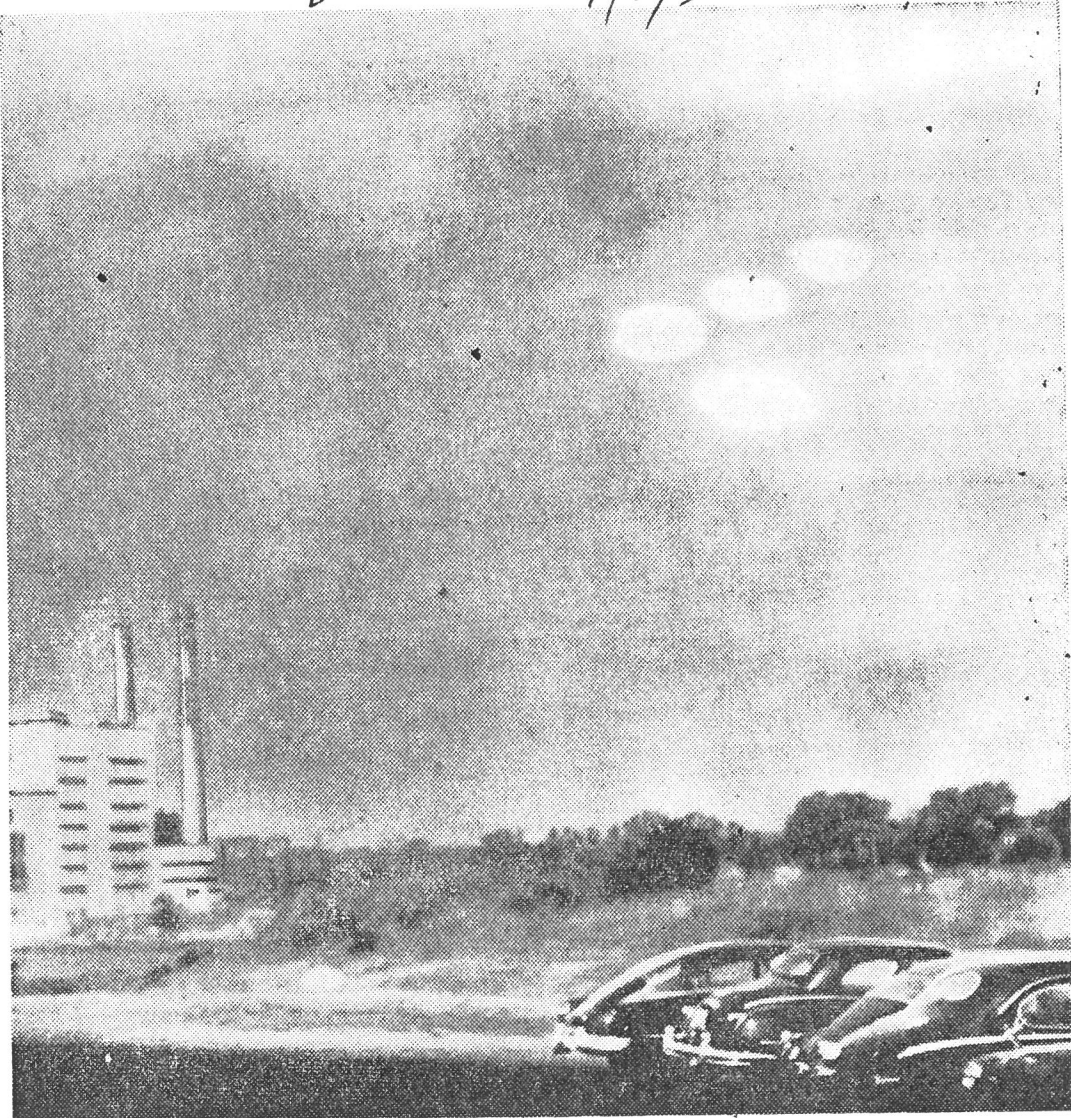
One other Coast Guardsman who saw the phenomena, Thomas Flaherty, 26, reported that the lights "could have been reflections" from automobile headlights or some other ground object. Alpert said this was possible but improbable.

Picture was taken on Super XX film with 4x5 camera equipped with 135mm. lens set at infinity, 1/50 of a second, at f4.7.

# Saucers?

## Seeing Is Believing . . .

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**CAUGHT** in formation by camera of Coast Guard Seaman S. R. Alpert are "flying saucers," reflections or

what-have-you. He took picture through window of photo lab at Salem, Mass. Alpert said fifth object also was visible.

—Associated Press wirephoto from U. S. Coast Guard,



## For the Flying Saucer' Files



Information accompanying this photograph from New York says it may "explain" some of the "flying saucer" reports. The photo was taken at night as a weather balloon was being released at Mitchell Air Force Base, Long Island. The balloon carries radio equipment and a bat-

tery-powered light, which registers on the film as "lightning." In Compton, Cal., last night, two witnesses observed a "bright ball in the skies." And in Los Angeles, things that looked like "flying ironing boards" were reported.

—International News Soundphoto



## SC Geologist Reports Ocean 'Flying Saucers'

Dr. Kenneth O. Emery Tells How Deep-Sea Camera Caught Rare, Disk-Shaped Animals

"Flying saucers" have been discovered at depths of one mile in the Pacific Ocean, it is indicated in reports of University of Southern California marine research. Although the 3000-pound benthograph (an unmanned automatic camera) was lost off Catalina Island, plans are being made to construct an improved type of device for exploring great depths. The new device will employ television.

Dr. Kenneth O. Emery, SC geologist, has just reported results of two years of research with the benthograph supervised by Capt. Allan Hancock. The benthograph was submerged to depths of a mile from the deck of the Velero IV, SC's floating laboratory ship.

### Rare Animals Snapped

Some of the photographs made automatically every 30 seconds caught pictures of rare animals which look like flying saucers equipped with delicate tentacles.

Of special interest to the scientists is a living cloud of unknown creatures which spread over the

ocean at depths of 800 and 1500 feet. This mysterious cloud moves in rhythmic fashion, rising to less than 500 feet of depth at dusk and sinking again before dawn.

Clearness of the water and the variety of ocean scenery make the sea off Southern California one of the best regions in the world for submarine photography, according to Dr. Emery.

### Islands Traced

He points out that several million years ago a network of earth faults divided the ocean bottom into a checkerboard of separate blocks. Some of the blocks moved upward to form islands and banks.

Scientists are said to know more about the surface of the moon than about the vast underwater frontiers which comprise more than 70% of the globe's surface.

Deep water photography, say the SC researchers, may, with the aid of television devices, provide an entirely new understanding of "what goes on" near the bottom of the seas.

# Two Sources Here Report Seeing Flying Saucers

Flying saucers was the subject of conversation of three Los Angeles International Airport control tower operators and a Los Angeles aircraft parts manufacturer after they saw "three unidentified objects" in the sky late Wednesday night.

Expressing his amazement at the "audacity" of the strange

they shoot away. I saw them flying over the Northrop Aircraft plant in Hawthorne for four nights in a row.

"The saucers apparently like our neighborhood."

Johnston said an employee of his company, Jack Swinburn, also spotted the discs. "They looked something like pulsating stars. They were high in the clear evening sky. But they weren't stars," he said. "They stood still for a while and then they zoomed off. They were being controlled by something."

Johnston said the discs were platter-like in shape. One side

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appeared to glow. He said he saw the saucers between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. when he was near his plant.

"When they'd zip off, they'd sort of flip over on their dark sides and disappear," Johnston declared.

Entered on the log of the control tower of the Los Angeles International Airport late Wednesday was the brief record of "three unidentified objects" sighted at 7 p.m.

A tower spokesman said the objects were not picked up on

radar but that the control tower operators, whose names were withheld, saw the discs idle in the sky. According to the log entry the "round" airborne contrivance "flew away with vapor trails smoking."

## Capital Radar Picks Up Eerie Flying Saucers

WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP).—The Air Force disclosed tonight it had received reports of an eerie visitation by unidentified aerial objects—perhaps a new type of "flying saucer"—over the vicinity of the Nation's capital.

For the first time, so far as known, the objects were picked up by radar—indicating actual substance rather than mere light.

In addition, they were described as traveling at a slow 100 to 130 miles per hour—instead of with the incredible swiftness attributed to earlier saucers—although at times they shot up and down.

The Air Force said no planes were sent out in an attempt to intercept the objects, and no sightings were reported by "Operation Skywatch."

### 8 OBJECTS SPOTTED

The air traffic control center at Washington National Airport, just across the Potomac River from the capital, reported that its radar operators picked up eight of the slow-moving objects around midnight last Saturday. They were flying in the vicinity of nearby Andrews Air Force Base.

The center said Capital Airlines of National Airport.

Flight 807, southbound from National Airport, reported seeing seven objects between Washington and Martinsburg, W. Va., at 3:15 A. M. the same night.

Officials of Capital Airlines said the pilot of Flight 807, Capt. Casey Pierman, of Detroit, a veteran of 17 years' service with the company, spotted the objects and described them in these words:

"They were like falling stars without tails."

### LIGHT FOLLOWS PLANE

Pierman, flying at normal cruising speed of 180 to 200 MPH, reported that the objects were traveling with "tremendous vertical speed"—moving rapidly up and down—and then suddenly changing pace until they seemed to hang motionless in the sky.

The airport traffic control center said another airliner, Capital-National Airlines Flight 610, reported observing a light following it from Herndon, Va., to within four miles



It has been declared a limitation of academic freedom to attempt to prevent the inculcation of treasonable ideas into the minds of our innocent youth.

—WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

## Flying Saucers Hysteria

Frankly, we are happy to announce that the Air Force has done an about-face in the intriguing mystery of flying saucers, and instead of forcibly insisting that "there ain't no sech animule" is eagerly asking for any and all reports of the strange phenomena or actual objects which seem to be playing peek-a-boo in and out of our earthly atmosphere and into the limitless expanses of space.

Not so long ago when anyone spoke up and said that he had seen a flying saucer he immediately became the center of attention—with spokesmen for the Air Force explaining to him and to those who questioned him that all such reports had been carefully investigated and that his imagination had been playing tricks on him.

But now this line has been negated by the fact that strange objects showing intelligent maneuvering, traveling at high speed, have been picked up on radar fields and have actually in some cases been photographed.

Credence is given the report that they were present over the national capital for some hours without being

identified. An Army Air Force captain tells of a flying disk which jockeyed around him in his Mustang fighter plane for 5 or 10 minutes and then took off. On all sides the strange stories of flying saucers are being revived—including the one of the Air Force pilot who pursued a saucer at terrific speed and into the high altitude and disappeared as completely as did the hero in Conan Doyle's thriller, "The Terror of the Heights."

Dr. Albert Einstein, when queried as to the stories and the reports, indicated that those who saw saucers saw something and that he wasn't interested in what they saw.

Major Gen. John A. Sanford, director of Air Force Intelligence, says that a study of flying saucer findings for the past six years reveals "no pattern that shows anything remotely consistent with any menace to the United States."

So let's be philosophical and not hysterical about the flying saucers, seeking fully any real information about them and discarding completely any fear that they might, perhaps, do us harm.



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# JET FLYERS TOLD TO SHOOT DOWN SAUCERS

U. S. Air Force on 24-Hour Alert  
Against Mysterious Discs

6/29/52  
By Larry Aldridge  
Staff Correspondent International News Service

WASHINGTON, July 28.

The Air Force revealed today jet pilots have been placed on a 24-hour nationwide "alert" against "flying saucers" with orders to "shoot them down" if they refuse to land.

It was learned pilots have gone aloft on several occasions in an effort to shoot the mysterious objects to the ground, but never came close enough to use their guns.

The Air Force refused to confirm this, but Lt. Col. Moncel Monts, AF Information officer, stated:

"The jet pilots are, and have been, under orders to investigate unidentified objects and to shoot them down if they can't talk them down."

In Air Force parlance, this means that if a "flying saucer" refuses to obey an order to land, jet pilots are authorized to shoot them to earth, if they can get close enough to do so. Most reports describe the "saucers" as traveling at unusually high speeds.

## NOT U. S. SECRET—

The Air Force expressed the belief the unidentified flying objects are not a threat to the United States and stated also that they are not a secret U. S. military development.

The Air Force summoned experts from Wright-Patterson Field in Dayton, Ohio, for a conference Tuesday on the celestial objects.

Capt. E. J. Ruppelt, a "flying saucer" specialist of the Air Technical Center in Dayton, left late today for Washington with a team of fellow officers.

Disclosure of the 24-hour "alert" came as new reports continued to pour into the Pentagon of mysterious objects in the skies. AF officials said they were coming in from all over the country at the rate of 100 monthly.

Bakersfield, Calif., residents reported seeing an object resembling a big ball of fire in the sky Sunday.


## INDIANA—

The latest reports came from Indiana, where hundreds of motorists claimed to have seen "flying saucers" overhead last night.

They were reported over Indianapolis, Franklin and Connersville. Many motorists said the objects threw off varicolored lights and "were like shooting stars."

# U. S. JETS CHASE 'FLYING SAUCERS'

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# Air Objects Real, Radar Men Claim

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**Declare Air Force  
Theory Wrong**

**By Darrell Garwood**  
Staff Correspondent International News Service  
**WASHINGTON, July 30.**

—Radar experts and weather scientists today challenged the Air Force theory that "flying saucers" are ground objects reflected in the sky under freak atmospheric conditions.

Radar crews at Washington National Airport, where mysterious "blips" have been tracked three times in the last two weeks, maintained they have recorded "unknown objects" twisting in a weird pattern, and not light reflections, as the Air Force suggested.

The U. S. Weather Bureau, while conceding that a "temperature inversion" has existed during the current hot spell, took issue with the theory expounded by Maj. Gen. John A. Samford, air intelligence chief.

## REFLECTED—

A "temperature inversion" is a layer of warm air above cold air, and Samford suggested that under such conditions an auto headlight or airport beam could be reflected in the sky as a "flying saucer."

A Weather Bureau official said, however, that reflection due to such an inversion ordinarily would appear on a radar screen as a steady line, rather than as single objects such as were sighted on the airport radarscope.

Other "saucer" developments included:

1. The Air Force, seeking an unshakable explanation of the mystery discs, rushed preparations to scan the skies with a battery of 200 astronomer-type cameras and powerful telescopes.
2. The Rev. Francis Hayden, director of the Georgetown University Observatory, predicted that the "saucer" season will reach a climax August 12. The probable time of the annual, brilliant "perseid shower" when thousands of shooting stars will fill the sky as the earth in its orbit around the sun passes through a disrupted comet.
3. The Coast Guard said it will allow the Air Force to inspect the negative of a photograph purportedly showing five "egg-shaped objects" flying in formation over Salem, Mass. The picture was taken by a Coast Guard photographer at 9:30 a. m. (EDT) July 16.
4. Jet fighter-interceptor pilots at bases throughout the country remained on a 24-hour alert, ready to take off in hot pursuit of any "saucer" reported in their locality.

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## Don't Destroy Flying Discs, Telegram Urges

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)

—The flying saucers have found a friend.

The Air Force received this telegram today from Cincinnati:

"Urgently request reconsideration of your order to destroy flying saucers.

"Remarkably advanced aerodynamics indicate probably intercelestial origin. Interference without more cause than saucers' friendly curiosity could cause unbelievable suffering and death.

"People much aroused and name withheld.



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# MYSTERY SPLITS U.S. EXPERTS

## OFFICERS HARASSED

# Flying Saucer Queries Pile Up on Pentagon

WASHINGTON, July 31 (AP)—The Air Force said today it was getting so many flying saucer queries that regular intelligence work has been affected.

Most of the inquiries are from press and radio but many are from the public, harassed Pentagon spokesmen said.

Maj. Gen. John A. Samford, Air Force intelligence director, said one man in the press relations section is working full time on saucer queries.

The Coast Guard said it would make public a photograph supposedly showing five mysterious objects in flight over Salem, Mass. The Coast Guard said the picture negative was mailed here from the Dayton center.

Air Force information was that the picture was taken a week ago by a Coast Guardsman. Air Force officers who studied it said it shows five round white objects, with fuzzy edges.

## FLYING CIGAR REPORTED OVER ATOMIC PLANT

PASCO, Wash., Nov. 21 (U.P.)—Scores of residents reported watching a cigar-shaped flying object soar over the restricted area of the Hanford atomic works for eight minutes this afternoon.

Managing Editor Perry Torbergson and City Editor Jack Anderson of the Columbia Basin News said they were among the observers.

"The object was very high and traveled in an arc, gradually tilting up and down, back and forth as it constantly moved forward," Torbergson said.

## 'Flying Saucers'

# 'May Be Off Other Planet'

(Picture on B-10)

By Associated Press

Dallas, July 31.—The president of the Texas Astronomical Society, E. M. Brewer, said today he believed the flying saucers "may be some sort of space ships from another planet." But, the Dallas man added, "If there is life on some other planet, and if it is that far advanced scientifically, then surely they're far enough advanced to have learned to live peaceably."

By Associated Press

SEATTLE, July 31.—The top man of the air force tossed cold water today on the latest flying saucer phobia, saying he doesn't believe such things exist.

Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, air force chief of staff, said in an interview with a Post-Intelligencer reporter:

"I don't believe there is any such thing as a flying saucer. But apparently there are physical phenomena which make people say they have seen the saucers.

"They are not machines flown by men from Mars, nor from any foreign powers. Nor does the air force or any United States military agency have a flying saucer.

"I don't like this continued, long-range occurrence of what might be called mass hysteria about flying saucers. The air force has had teams of experts investigating all reports for several years, since the end of World War II, and they never have found anything to substantiate existence of such things as flying saucers."

General Vandenberg, recently recovered from an extended illness, was here to confer with officials of the Boeing Airplane Co., builders of the new B-52 eight-jet heavy bomber.

# 'Flying Saucers' Trap Set by U.S.; Experts Called in

Battery of 200  
Cameras Set  
in Capital

By Darrel Garwood  
Staff Correspondent International News Service

WASHINGTON, July 29.—

The Air Force today advanced the theory that "flying saucers" are apparently natural phenomena but at the same time announced it was establishing a battery of more than 200 special cameras to trap the objects on film in an effort to prove this.

The cameras are designed to separate and analyze rays of light, to tell the source and the nature of the materials in the "saucers," and thus discover whether they are real objects or mirages.

Maj. Gen. John A. Samford, chief of air intelligence, headed a big force of top scientific brains recruited to work on the fantastic puzzle.

An array of "saucer experts" from the Air Force Technical Intelligence center at Wright-Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio, has arrived to devote night-and-day efforts to an attempt to find an explanation of the mysterious sky riders.

## DAMPER—

General Samford sought to put a damper on the excitement over "flying saucers," which increased with the announcement that a new armada of mysterious objects zoomed over Washington for several hours early today.

He discounted the theory that the Washington area is being menaced by any aerial vehicles from abroad or from other worlds. However the Air Force is continuing its 24-hour nationwide alert for all jet pilots, with orders to chase and "shoot down" any such objects which ignore orders to land.

Samford told newsmen he believed the radar sightings of mystery objects were due to atmospheric conditions reflecting ground objects so that they appeared to be hurtling through the sky.

## 'NONSENSE'—

A noted astronomer, Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard observatory, gave support to Samford's statement with the declaration that "flying saucers are a lot of complete nonsense."

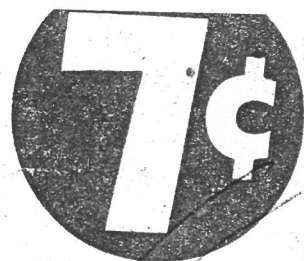
Shapley said the unknown objects, of whose appearance more than 1000 reports have been made in the past five years, can be traced to (1) hallucination (2) fire balls, or meteorites (3) high altitude weather balloons and (4) high-flying planes. Shapley said this is the period when many meteorites hurtle through the sky.

But although convinced that the unexplained "discs" are not interplanetary space ships or some secret enemy device, the Air Force was apparently determined to get to the bottom of the mystery, if at all possible, with some tangible proof.

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## SKY GHOSTS LOSE JETS OVER CAPITAL

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# FLYING SAUCERS CHASED BY JETS OVER CAPITAL

*Micro 6/28/50*  
WASHINGTON, July 28 (AP)—Radar—which normally doesn't show something that isn't there—has picked up "flying saucers" near the nation's capital for the second time within a week.

Jet-fighter pilots searched the skies without directly contacting anything during the six hours that four to 12 unidentified objects intermittently appeared on radar screens at Washington National Airport and nearby Andrews Air Force Base.

One pilot said he saw four lights approximately 10 miles away and slightly above him but they disappeared before he could overtake them. Later, the same pilot said, he saw "a steady white light" five miles away that vanished in about a minute.

So far as could be determined, this was the first time jets have been sent on the trail of such sky ghosts.

## Reports Pour In

Officials carefully avoided mentioning "flying saucers," such as light. But it can pick up such things as a bird in flight or a cloud formation. And picked up seven or eight unidentified objects near Washington one expert said radar is not infallible. But the Air Force was expected to add the report to its long list of saucer sightings.

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## Fighters Chase Flying Saucers Over Capital

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ings, which officials say are coming in faster than at any time since the initial flurry in 1947.

An Air Force spokesman said all necessary steps were being taken to evaluate the newest phenomenon.

Later an Air Force spokesman said:

"We have no evidence they are flying saucers; conversely we have no evidence they are not flying saucers. We don't know what they are."

There was no agreement whether the recent reports are the first of such mystery objects appearing on radar. At least, officials agreed they are unusual.

Radar normally does not register anything without substance—such as light. But it can pick up such things as a bird in flight or a cloud formation. And picked up seven or eight unidentified objects near Washington one expert said radar is not infallible. But the Air Force was expected to add the report to its long list of saucer sightings.

## 4 to 12 Objects

The Air Force reported that between four and 12 unidentified objects appeared at 8:08 p.m. (EST) Saturday on the radar screen at the air route traffic control center operated by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. Their position was estimated at 10 miles east of Mt. Vernon, Va., which is near Washington National Airport.

Word went to the Air Force, which sent up two jet fighter interceptor planes from a base at Newcastle, Del., some 90 miles from Washington.

When the planes appeared on the radarscope at approximately 10:25 p.m., the CAA tried without success to guide the planes into contact with the mystery objects. It was during this search that the pilot made his two sightings of lights.

The planes left for their base at 12:40 a.m. and the two other jets took over and stayed in the area until 1:20 a.m. without making contacts.

## Top 600 M.P.H.

The pilot who spotted the lights said they "were really moving"—faster than 600 miles an hour. But radar operators at Andrews Air Force Base said they moved at a "slow rate of speed"—38 to 90 miles per hour. This could mean the same pattern as last week's sightings—slow moving objects with bursts of speed.

One woman in Washington reported she saw "a very bright light" streak across the sky toward Andrews base.

# SAW 'FLYING SAUCERS,' SAY AIRMEN IN KOREA

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (U.P.)—The Air Force today disclosed it has ordered a full-scale investigation of reports that objects resembling "flying saucers" have been sighted in Korea by crewmen of two American B-29 bombers.

An Air Force spokesman said four fliers described the objects as disk-shaped, bright orange in color and sending off occasional flashes of bluish light. Two of the fliers were said to have estimated the disks were about three feet in diameter.

The first report was submitted to Air Force intelligence officers from two crewmen of a B-29 bomber who said they saw the object flying parallel to their plane at about midnight of Jan. 29. The plane was over Wonsan, Korea.

Their sighting might have been dismissed as an optical illusion or imagination working overtime.

But the same night a B-29 from a different squadron returned to its base after a flight over Sunchon, Korea, some distance from Wonsan. Two crewmen said they saw flying disks moving alongside their plane at a high altitude. The time also was at about midnight.

## Mystery 'Saucers' Fly Over Korea, Say Bomber Flyers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. (AP)—The Air Force said today it is looking into reports from Korea about some strange-looking orange globes. A spokesman said bomber crewmen reported they saw "globe-shaped objects" of an orange color on flights over Korea on the nights of January 29 and 30.

The sightings were said to have been made over the Wonsan area of eastern Korea and Sunchon in western central Korea. The reports came from crew members on two different B-29 bombers, both on night missions.

The crewmen told their superiors that the round objects were generally light orange in color, but occasionally changed to a "bluish tint."

They estimated the objects to be about three feet in diameter and said they were first sighted on a course parallel with the U. S. bombers.

The crewmen said that the objects remained with the bomber over Wonsan for about five minutes and for about one minute with the B-29 flying over Sunchon.

For the last five years, rumors and reports have popped up all over the United States about queer-looking saucers, discs and other objects flying about in the air.

Last August the Army announced it was experimenting with genuine disc-shaped containers of synthetic rubber to supply troops in the field with water, gasoline and other liquids.

An Army spokesman said those saucers look like inflated pancakes.

## Airmen Tell Sighting 'Flying Discs' in Korea

(Korea fighting and truce talks on A-4)

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The air force disclosed today that objects resembling "flying discs" have been sighted over Korea by crew members of two United States bombers.

Top officials have ordered a full investigation of the reports, which came through regular military intelligence channels.

A spokesman said the objects were described by four eyewitnesses as globe-shaped, bright orange in color, and emitting an occasional flash of bluish light.

He indicated that several were sighted, but did not give the number.

The air force, which has thrown cold water on hundreds of previous "flying saucer" stories, apparently was impressed by the circumstances under which the new sightings were reported by its own personnel.

The first report reached air force intelligence officers from two crew members of a B-29 Superfortress who said they

saw the objects flying parallel to their plane at about midnight on the night of Jan. 29. The plane was over Wonsan, Korea, at the time.

This report might have been discounted as over-imaginative. But on the same night, a B-29 from a different squadron returned to its base after a flight over Sunchon, Korea, a considerable distance from Wonsan. Two crew members told intelligence officers that they had seen "flying discs" moving parallel to their plane at a high altitude. They fixed the time at about midnight.

"The objects remained with the B-29 over Wonsan for five minutes and with the B-29 over Sunchon for one minute," the air force said.



## WHERE'S THE FLYING SAUCER?

# Green Lights, Fireballs, Discs: Visit From Mars?

LA Mirror 2/28/52

BY DICK WILLIAMS

What has happened to the flying saucers?

The mystery in our skies, far from being laid to rest, is greater than ever.

Strange flashes of green light, which have performed unlike orthodox meteors (they are rarely green and seldom pass in sizeable numbers over the same area) have astounded thousands of citizens in the Southwest in past months.

The Air Force, after long scoffing at flying disc reports, has finally admitted that it is investigating unidentified flying objects recently seen over Korea by bomber crews.

The most recent turn of events began late last fall with the fireball reports from New Mexico—in one busy stretch eight were seen in a two-week period.

Dr. Lincoln La Paz, meteorologist of the University of New Mexico, says that the green fireballs could be a new type of meteor, but that if so their arrival may mean that our solar system has reached a new corner of the universe where anything can happen.

He also advances the theory that they could be guided missiles.

The reports from Korea—and I have had a number from my own sources in the past year prior to the Air Force's announcement—seem to be of small, glowing discs, several feet in diameter, rather than fireballs.

Henry Fine of 2076 Mound St. told me that his wife and he saw such a brilliant glowing disc in the night skies between Yuma and Gila Bend, Ariz., on the night of Dec. 20 while returning from a vacation.

### Sighters Form Group

Civilian Saucer Investigations has been formed here by a group of aerodynamic experts, led by Ed Sullivan, technical editor for North American Aviation Inc.

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## Green Lights —Visitors From Mars?

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aeronautical laboratory at Downey.

The plan, according to Sullivan, is to correlate reports of authentic sightings and to attempt a scientific analysis of the mass of rumors and reports.

The group has set up a post office box—Box 1971, Main Post Office, Los Angeles 53, and invites all "sighters" to submit accurate reports of strange objects they may spot in the skies. Sullivan emphasizes that rate of speed, approximate height, time of day and all relevant details are important. He also points out that the group is limiting itself entirely to aerial phenomena which does not fall within the U.S. defense effort.

### Space Ships?

One of the most important men to express an opinion on the saucers believes that they are space ships probably from another planet in our own solar system.

He is Dr. Walther Riedel, German rocket expert in charge of research and development at the Peenemunde V-2 Center during the war and now project engineer for large rockets at North American.

"My concept is that the sky objects seen are something from outer space," he told me.

Riedel and a technical associate, Felix W. A. Knoll, consulting engineer for Northrop Aircraft, Inc., reason that the saucers cannot be of earthly origin because:

- 1—No human being could withstand the terrific acceleration repeatedly reported and the astounding maneuvers performed.
- 2—Skin temperature would climb after an extremely short time to heights which cause all known materials including heat resistant ceramics to melt and gasify.
- 3—The propulsion systems leave no vapor trails at high altitudes as is the case with all internal combustion engines and all types of jet propulsion.
- 4—Air friction at low altitude and during the high speeds reported would burn up our own aircraft or flying missiles.

Best bet on the origin of the saucers is the planet Mars, says Dr. Riedel. He rules out the planet Venus whose surface has always been covered with a dense mass of vaporous clouds and is not in view to astronomers.

# Saucers Come From Space, Says Expert

*Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, distinguished wartime Marine Corps flyer and author of the best-seller, "Flying Saucers Are Real," asserts that the mysterious objects now being sighted over a wide area of the nation are "devices from outer space." In the following exclusive article, Keyhoe, Washington representative of True Magazine, suggests that the new fleets of "saucers" may be observer units sent from some other planet to spy upon the people of the earth.*

**By Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe**

(Written Expressly for International News Special Service)

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The Air Force order to try to shoot down the flying saucers is taken by some to mean fear of a Soviet secret weapon. No authority I know believes this is the answer.

If Russia had such a weapon, they surely would have delivered an ultimatum in the five years since the first report of flying saucers, because such a weapon would mean complete control over any nation.

The real reason for the order to shoot down the saucers is to capture one of these objects as fast as possible before national hysteria results. I think officials are badly worried about the effects. If they could capture one of these and get the answer and reveal it to the public, regardless of what the answer is, it would end the mystery.

## **OUTER SPACE—**

My opinion is that if they capture one, they will find it is a device from outer space. We worked out a rough cycle with the aid of a Canadian official, whom I am not at liberty to name, that indicated this sudden increase in sightings.

These sightings disprove the theory of Dr. Donald H. Menzel of Harvard University that these are optical illusions caused by reflections in the sky of lights on earth.

Radar reports now prove they are solid, fast-moving objects intelligently controlled. They are able to maneuver so violently that no human pilot born on this earth could stand the changes. These violent changes would practically paralyze a human.

## **REMOTE CONTROL—**

I believe and most of the people I've talked to believe these are largely remote-controlled devices. They are controlled from either another space ship high out in our atmosphere or beyond it or from great distances out in space.

They could be observer units, sent from some planet to observe the people of the earth, taking pictures and sending messages on us back to their home base.

Unless there has been a gigantic conspiracy by the armed services to cover up some super-secret development, the saucers which have flown over Washington are real.

I do not believe the services have developed a secret and super aircraft because it is unlikely such a secret could be kept.

The saucers apparently are friendly and eventually they may contact us.

# Sacramento Reports Two 'Saucers'

—The Sacramento Air Defense Filter Center is receiving two or three reports a day about unidentified flying objects, and radar contact was made in at least one case, a source at the center disclosed today.

The radar sighting, he said, was made near Red Bluff Monday. He said the flight patterns of two objects—going fast at an altitude of more than 20,000 feet—checked with a report by two ground observers.

A 16-year-old boy gave a detailed description of an object he said he saw while he was riding horseback Sunday.

## WINDOWS—

Jerry Speer of nearby Lincoln said he spotted two "some-

things," one of which came close to the ground.

The youth told a reporter the objects were about 20 feet high and 40 feet long and had three sets of windows.

He declared:

"The thing looked like two tops that had been flattened out against each other. The windows were square and their frames stuck out. The whole thing was covered with shiny metal.

"There were three exhausts and the thing could fly up, down and sideways. A short vapor came out of each exhaust and the sound of it traveled about a mile and a half behind."

He said he watched the low

flying object for about three minutes.

# Einstein Not Interested in Discs

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

July 23, 1952

Dear Sir:

Those people have seen something.

What it is I do not know and I am not curious to know.

Sincerely yours,

*A. Einstein*

encl.

Albert Einstein.

Mr. Louis A. Gardner  
911 West 7th Pl.  
Los Angeles 14, Cal.

*1-KE Low  
6/30/52*

**THE ANSWER**—Here is a copy of the letter the Rev. Gardner received from Dr. Einstein.

Asked his "candid opinion" on whether or not "flying saucers are real," Dr. Albert Einstein, world-famous scientist, sent the Rev. Louis A. Gardner of Los Angeles, this reply, the minister revealed yesterday:

"Dear Sir:

"Those people have seen something. What it is I do not know and I am not curious to know.

"Sincerely Yours,

"A Einstein."

The Rev. Mr. Gardner, who lives at 911 West Seventh place, said of the brief reply:

"Evidently Dr. Einstein's mind, with its great scientific

span, has passed beyond the average person's curiosity about such phenomena as flying saucers.

"But I appreciate the fact that he would answer, promptly, by airmail, my letter when he has so many thousands to consider."

The minister, an inter-denominational evangelist, said he had asked the famous Princeton scientist whether the saucers originate in outer space, coming from Mars or Venus, or if they are products of our military rivals or our own Air Force experiments.

He said he had cited Ezekiel



**GETS REPLY**—The Rev. Louis A. Gardner of Los Angeles holds the letter he received from Dr. Albert Einstein in answer to his question whether the scientist thought "flying saucers" originate in outer space.

—Los Angeles Examiner photo.

1:16 as tending to substantiate the reality of flying saucers. This verse reads:

"The appearance of the wheels and their work was like

unto the color of a beryl; and the four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel."

## Radio and Television

**'Flying Saucer' Expert  
Sets KECA Broadcast**

By OWEN CALLIN

With news of flying saucers making front page headlines these days, a program scheduled for broadcast a week from Saturday by KECA should be very timely. The program, called "When Looking into\*

Space," will be conducted by Willy Ley, one of the world's foremost experts on rockets and space travel.

Ley will bring listeners up to

date on the flying saucer situation and will discuss the pros and cons of whether they are visitors from deep space. He points out that the saucers certainly wouldn't be another nation's secret weapon because she would be testing them in her own backyard. And the fact that our air force has given its jet pilots orders to bring them down with gunfire certainly should prove the saucers are not secret weapons of ours.

Time for the program, by the way, has been tentatively set at 6:15 p. m. on Aug. 9.

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**Saucers Flying Again  
Over Empire States**

Denver Post Special.

Flying saucers are whirring over parts of the Rocky Mountain Empire again.

Reports of speedy disks streaking across the sky came Friday from Colorado Springs and Great Falls, Mont. And Capt. Cecil Hardin, a pilot for California Central Airlines, reported that a flying disk type craft approached his plane Thursday night at high

speed, then veered off and vanished. This, he said, occurred over Van Nuys.

Two men at Colorado Springs declared they saw a large flight of flying saucers cavorting over the Garden of the Gods Thursday.

W. D. Campbell, who served in World war I as an orderly to President Truman, then an artillery captain, said the saucers were shaped like an oyster shell "with a hump in the middle." A barber, R. I. Garman, says he saw the same things Campbell did. Both said the sky visitors maneuvered for a time at about 11,000 feet then streaked off to the northwest.

At Great Falls, Manager Nick Mariana of the town's Pioneer league baseball team, said he took color motion pictures of two silver disks that buzzed over the ball park. He said an officer of the air technical command "borrowed" his film.



# Jet Chases So.

## Cal. 'Saucer'

Cal. Saucer Mystery

LA Times  
Fiery Disc  
Eludes Jet  
1/17/53 P.1

A rocketing fiery disc-like object giving off an orange light that raced from Long Beach to El Toro, and back toward Long Beach last night, outspeeding a marine jet pilot who chased it, had authorities mystified today.

First spotted northeast of Long Beach municipal airport by Edward S. Downs, control tower operator, the fiery object appeared to be about a mile away at 1000 feet altitude. It moved east, climbing slightly and disappeared.

Marine Pilot Major Harvey Patton, approaching El Toro for a landing 10 minutes later was asked by the tower operator there to investigate a large disc-shaped object flying low near the field.

Patton spotted the object, as did his radar operator, and pursued it back toward the coast, but was unable to close in.

"It looked something like a jet exhaust," Patton said. "We had to turn back after a few minutes when I ran short of fuel."

Downs and Henry Ellis, another Long Beach tower operator, both said the object was visible for several minutes and appeared to be traveling at high speed.

The Los Angeles International Airport tower had no report of the orange light.

# TWO PILOTS REPORT CHASING 'SAUCER'

Sept 11/50  
 Denver Post 1950  
 MITCHEL FIELD, N. Y., Sept. 11. — (UP) — Two air force jet pilots reported Tuesday they had chased a mysterious, round-flying object — traveling at a speed of 900 miles an hour—for thirty miles and couldn't catch it.

Wilbert S. Rogers of Columbia, Pa., told Mitchel field authorities that he and Capt. Edward Ballard of Dover, Del., sighted the object Monday over Sandy Hook, N. J., while they were on a routine flight in a T-33 jet training plane.

"I don't know if it was a flying saucer, but it sure was something I've never seen before," Lieutenant Rogers, pilot of the plane, said. "We couldn't have caught it in an F-86." (The F-86 Sabre jet is the United States' fastest jet fighter).

Rogers described the object as white or silver-colored and said

it was about the size of a fighter plane.

The object moved in an arc from Sandy Hook to Redbank, N. J., and then headed out to sea at Asbury Park, N. J., Rogers said.

The U. S. air force and navy have officially said that flying saucers reported previously had been nothing more than weather balloons.

## NOT SO SURE

# Saucer Advertiser Spotter 6/10/52 Backs Down

Dr. Clyde Tombaugh, who discovered the planet Pluto, has agreed that he is the scientist at White Sands, N.M., who was quoted as being "certain" he saw a flying saucer.

But Tombaugh was not nearly so positive about the identity of the object he saw scoot across the sky above this secret military base as was the British authority on space travel who quoted him.

Arthur C. Clarke, a leading British expert on rocket travel, told newsmen in Los Angeles recently that he believed flying saucers were more than myths or mirages.

Clarke said he based his opinion on new data supplied by the scientists at the rocket testing base at White Sands. He also said, "a noted American scientist told me at White Sands that he is certain he has seen one (a flying saucer)."

Tombaugh this week revealed that he was the scientist Clarke mentioned but added cautiously that he had not seen "anything like saucers."

The American scholar did say, though, that he saw an object in the sky above Las Cruces, N.M., in the Summer of 1948. He said the object whizzed silently overhead, from south to north, too fast for a plane and too slow for a meteor.

"I take a very humble attitude about it all," Tombaugh said he told Clarke. "We may know something some day but we have no idea yet as to what these objects are, if they are material objects."

Clarke was careful to point out to reporters that he was still not prepared to say for certain that flying saucers were real.

# FLYING SAUCER FISH SIGHTED

SC Photographs Weir Specimens 6000 Ft. Below Surface

By Chris Clausen

Weird "flying saucer" type fish and strange under-sea animals with long, curved whips—never before seen by man—have been photographed by University of Southern California scientists 6000 feet under the ocean's surface.

Taken off the Pacific Coast with a 3000-pound benthograph steel camera—since lost—the photographs show many beautiful, translucent fish, some of them equipped with their own headlights to pierce the total darkness.

Highlights of research conducted aboard the Velerio TV, SC's floating Hancock Foundation laboratory, are reported by Dr. Kenneth O. Emery, SC professor of geology, in the current Scientific Monthly.

The benthograph, a deep sea camera which photographed the fish in the ocean depths, recently was lost when it became hopelessly wedged in rocks 2100 feet below the surface of the Santa Catalina channel.

## TV HOPED FOR—

But even before it was lost, the scientists had planned an improved version of the camera, using a heavy casing to withstand the tremendous pressure at great depths.

The scientists also are hopeful that they will be able to incorporate the use of television as a new means of invading a domain heretofore closed to man.

This will give them an instantaneous camera eye view from

## Flying Saucer

# Bare Photo c. Phenomena

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Shell R. Alpert, Salem, Mass., air station photographer.

The Coast Guard said Alpert sighted several brilliant white lights through the air station's photo lab window at 9:35 a.m. July 16.

Alpert watched the lights, which "seemed to be wavering," for five or six seconds before attempting to photograph them. By the time he had focused his camera the lights were "considerably dimmed down."

The Coast Guard announcement said Alpert, after sighting the lights, summoned Thomas Flaherty, 26, hospitalman first class. The two men immediately returned to the photo lab.

## MOMENTARY FLASH

Noting that the lights were again burning brightly, Alpert snapped the picture. An instant later, there was a "momentary flash" and the lights disappeared.

"There appeared what I thought to be a quick flash" Flaherty told authorities.

"I actually could not say it was anything. It could have been reflections from passing cars or from the ocean."

Alpert said that in the two brief glimpses he had, he was unable to determine the size of the lights, their number, altitude, speed, direction or shape. He said he heard no sound.

## GROUND REFLECTION

Alpert was quoted by Coast Guard officials as saying that because it was an extremely hot day "perhaps some sort of refraction of ground reflections could possibly have accounted for the lights, but in my estimation, this is an improbable explanation."

The guardsman's report said that both his camera lens and the window screen through which he took the picture were "quite dirty," and added:

"I cannot say in all honesty that I saw objects or aircraft, merely some manner of lights."

Alpert said his 4x5 camera was set at infinity, 1-50 of a second at F4.7.

Experts in photography said the negative shown to newsmen here showed no evidence of touching up—no indication of having been touched by liquids. The negative was clear and unscratched.

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Are 'Flying Saucers' a Russian invention? Western intelligence officers are now trying to answer this question following sensational reports by 48-year-old ex-Mayor Oskar Linke, who escaped from the Soviet zone. Linke has sworn an oath before a judge that he and his daughter saw two metal-clad figures and a '50ft saucer with a 10ft conning tower' take off from a forest clearing four miles inside the Russian zone.

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STORY  
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# 50 YARDS AWAY TAKE OFF IN A

From ANTONY TERRY, Berlin, Saturday

**A**RMED with a sensational affidavit sworn by an eye-witness, intelligence officers in West Berlin are to-day investigating one of the most amazing "flying saucer" stories ever reported.

Evidence that a weird contraption—"like a 50ft. warming pan without a handle, and with a 10ft. conning tower"—took off with a crew of two from a forest clearing in the Soviet zone is being studied at the highest level. It is hoped to answer the big question: Are "flying saucers" a secret new Russian invention?

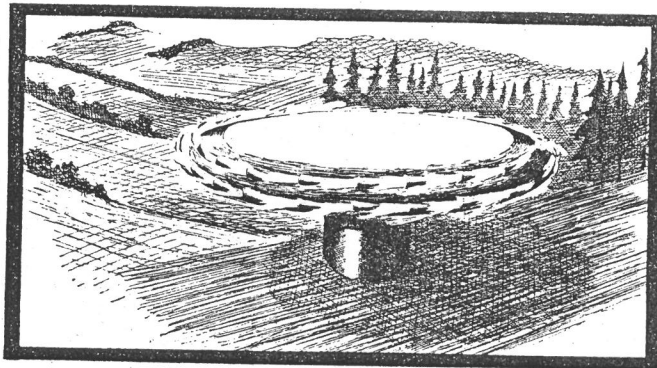
Man who first brought to light this remarkable story (reported briefly in later editions of the *Sunday Graphic* last week) is grey-haired, 48-year-old ex-Mayor Oskar Linke, of Gleimershäusen, near Meiningen. He had escaped from the Russian zone with his wife and six children.

## Men in metal

I can now reveal that in the company of West Berlin officials, Herr Linke, with his 11-year-old step-daughter Gabriele, last week swore this solemn and formal affidavit before a judge:—

"I was riding home on my motor-cycle, with Gabriele on the pillion, when a tyre burst near the village of Hasselbach.

"As we were pushing the



The Saucer begins to take off: the outer disk whirls faster and faster, rising up the centre "conning-tower," which remains stationary.

machine toward Hasselbach, Gabriele pointed to something about 150 yards away. At first sight, in the half light, I took it for a young deer.

"I left my motor-cycle by a tree while I approached

the 'deer' cautiously. I was now about 60 yards from it.

"I then realised that my first impression had been incorrect. The thing I had noticed was really two apparently human figures, now about 50 yards from me.

"They appeared to be clothed in a kind of shimmering, metallic substance, and were bending down and studying something on the ground.

## A 'warming pan'

"I wormed my way to within about 30 feet of them. Peering over a small ridge, I noticed a large object, which I judged to be about 40 to 50 feet across, though it was hard to say exactly. It looked like a huge oval warming pan.

"There were two rows of holes along the sides, about a foot in diameter. Each row was